「悪魔のリドル」④
大好評発売中!!

THE PLACE
I'LL GO HOME
TO IS...

悪魔のリドル

riddle story of devil

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第42話 MY NIO

WHAT SECRETS DOES MYOJO ACADEMY'S HIDDEN BASEMENT HOLD?

I W/NT TO GO BACK THERE.
I W. NT TO GO HOME.
tap
SAY AREN'TCHA GETTING THE WRONG IDEA HERE?
YOU DIDN'T JUST POP OVER HERE TO HANG OUT FOR A BIT.
YOU WERE ALWAYS A PART OF THIS WORLD.

東兜角
物的である種の守護者になったエノート暗殺者だが実は暗殺処女

一ノ瀬晴
自分が病的だと思いながら普通に高校生活を送り平凡したいと願っている

犬飼伊介
セクシーで無気力な美少女。真での顔は同級生の男で家族である同級生を手伝う

東り場
ショウノショウ学園の生徒であり、個人の情報にも詳しい。重要の鍵を握る

香場真理真夜
彼は謎多き「真夜」。彼は幼馴染の「真理」の三重人格

生田目千足
好きな、Fe、高い、すごくいい男の子。王子様の女子高生

楓ヶ谷楓
異質な体質で生活費を稼ぐ。俺様系のイケメンハーフ。ゴールド

春河江春紀
大人気の不良社会人。明るくサバサバした性格の男。実は…

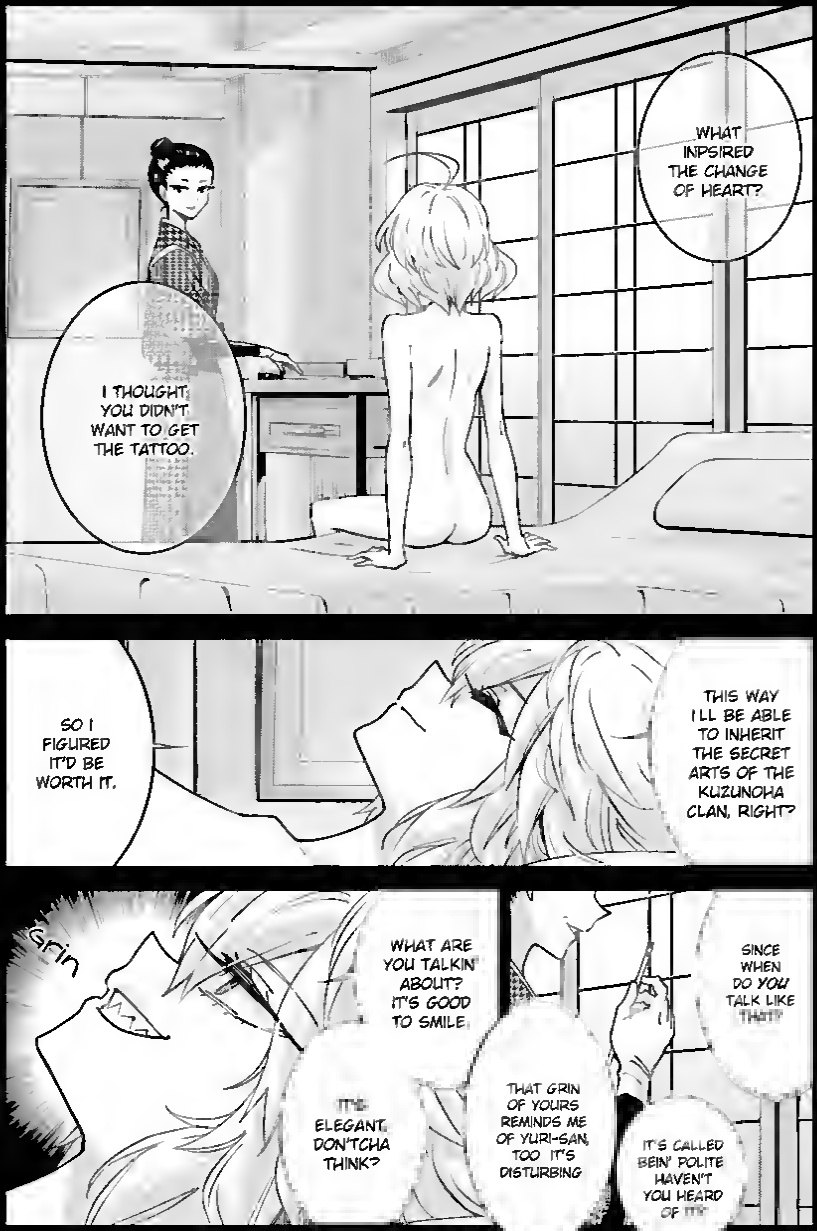
NICE TO MEET YOU MY NAME IS MEICHI YURI
I'M THE HEAD OF THIS HOUSEHOLD
KUZUNOHA-SAN TOLD ME THAT YOU HAVE VERY PROMISING TALENT
I HOPE TO SEE YOU PUT THOSE SKILLS OF YOURS TO WORK FOR ME

HELL IF I KNOW.
PROLY "RUNT" THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE CALLED ME
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
IT SOUNDS MUCH MORE ELEGANT
USE CLEAN, POLITE SPEECH
ratty

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! THAT FUCKIN' HURTS, YOU OLD HAG!
CLATTER
WH...
WHA ...!
CR
ACK
AGH!
KNOCK IT OFF!
whoosh
whoosh
CRACK
CRACK
OU...
OUCH!
CRACK
I WILL CORRECT YOU UNTIL YOU LEARN.
YOU WILL USE POLITE, ELEGANT LANGUAGE.
K...
KNOCK IT OFF AL-READY..
PLEASE!

YOU HAVE NEVER RECEIVED DISCIPLINE OR EDUCATION FROM ANYONE
THAT IS A VERY UNFORTUNATE THING
BUT STARTING TODAY, I WILL BE YOUR TEACHER.
I'LL GIVE YOU A NAME.
FROM NOW ON, YOU WILL CALL YOURSELF "NIO."
MY NIO.
NIO...

"NIO"
THAT'S THE NAME OF A BIRD FROM THE PLACE I WAS BORN(?).
I WAS SURE THE CHAIRWOMAN KNEW EVERYTHING ABOUT ME THERE WAS TO KNOW.


I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T WANT TO GET THE TATTOO.
WHAT INPSIRED THE CHANGE OF HEART?
SO I FIGURED IT'D BE WORTH IT.
THIS WAY I'LL BE ABLE TO INHERIT THE SECRET ARTS OF THE KUZUNOHA CLAN, RIGHT?
grin
WHAT ARE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT? IT'S GOOD TO SMILE.
SINCE WHEN DO YOU TALK LIKE THAT?
IT'S ELEGANT, DON'TCHA THINK?
THAT GRIN OF YOURS REMINDS ME OF YURI-SAN, TOO. IT'S DISTURBING
IT'S CALLED BEIN' POLITE. HAVEN'T YOU HEARD OF IT?

I WANT TO BECOME SOMEONE USEFUL.
I WANTED TO BECOME STRONGER FOR HER, WHO'S ALWAYS SMILING SO BEAUTIFULLY.
I WANTED TO BECOME STRONGER.
I WILL BE CONDUCTING CLASS BLACK FOR HARU ICHINOSE
NIO-SAN, I'LL HAVE YOU PARTICIPATE AS THE ARBITRATOR.
OH!
AZUMA WILL BE COMIN' TOO, WON'T SHE?!

THEN I CAN'T JUST INTRODUCE MYSELF AS "NIO KUZUNOHA."
HOW ABOUT "NIO HASHIRI"?
I'LL RUN ANYWHERE FOR YOU CHAIRWOMAN!
NOTE: "HASHIRI" MEANS "RUNNING."

SQUEAK
.. WHERE ARE WE GOING?
WHAT'S THIS PLACE YOU WANT TO TAKE ME?
CLUNK
SQUEAK
THERE'S SOMETHIN' I WANT YOU TO SEE
THIS IS OUR SCHOOL'S HIDDEN SECRET
HERE WE ARE! YEP, WE'VE GOT A PLACE LIKE THIS DOWN IN THE BASEMENT OF THE MAIN TOWER. AREN'TCHA SURPRISED?
WHIRR
GO ON, HARU-CHAN.

SHHHH
SHHHH

IT'S AN UNDER-GROUND CEMETERY.
THIS IS WHERE ALL THE PEOPLE WHO SACRIFICED THEMSELVES FOR THE CLAN .
ARE RESTING IN PEACE...

TOKAKU WAVERS IN HER FEELINGS FOR HARU

FROM THE MOMENT I LAID EYES ON HER, I FELT SOMETHING.

SHHHH

HER SCENT... HER SMILING FACE.

HER EYES... HER HAIR...

QUEEN BEE? HARU DENIED IT, BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT. WHAT SHOULD I DO? HOW CAN I MAKE SURE OF IT?

WAS I JUST BEING MANIPULATED? WAS IT JUST A RELATIONSHIP OF CONVENIENCE? WAS THAT ALL?